

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/500,146	KATAYAMA, YASUSHI	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	JEFFREY NICKERSON	2442	

All Participants:

(1) JEFFREY NICKERSON.

(2) Brian Epstein (60,329).

Date of Interview: 24 March 2010

Type of Interview:

☒ Telephonic

☐ Video Conference

☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description: .

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

None

Claims discussed:

1, 10, 14, 23

Prior art documents discussed:

None

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

Status of Application: Non-Finally Rejected

(3) _____.

(4) _____.

Time: 1:00pm

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed:

Examiner Nickerson asserted that there was a Lack of Unity between claims 1, 14 and claims 10, 23. Applicant successfully argued that the newly added judgement value amended into claims 1, 14 was a broader version of the return probability value in claims 10,23. Examiner Nickerson withdrew the lack of unity requirement..